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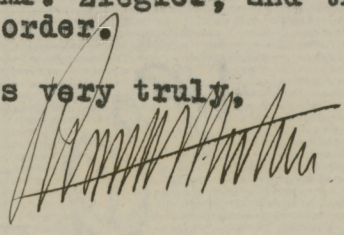
Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:-

Mr. Ziegler states that the exhibits in the Schneider case went into the Prosecutor's possession at the conclusion of the case. Mr. Silzer of the Prosecutor's office, states that they were turned over to Capt. Lamb of the New Jersey State Police. Mr. Ziegler has tried to get these exhibits to complete his record by communicating with Senator Simpson, Inspector Underwood, and Prosecutor Bergen, without success.

I suspect that the State authorities are unwilling to give the exhibits to Mr. Ziegler, and that they can be obtained only by a Court order.

Yours very truly,

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" I was about four feet away when Hayes fired and I then started to run toward De Russey's Lane, which was a short distance away, and on arriving at the lane I started to walk toward the Easton Avenue road, where I met Kaufman with a machine, who asked me to take a "ride down".

" I told him that Hayes was coming and we waited. Shortly Hayes came along and we all three drove down to Buccleuch Park when Hayes and I got out, Kaufmann going home. Hayes and I

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The next morning, which was Friday, I again went out looking for mushrooms, along with Pearl Bahmer, and again on Saturday when we came across Mr. Hall's and Mrs. Mills bodies. I immediately ran to the house of Mrs. Striker and phoned to the police. On the night that Hayes shot Mr. Hall and Mrs. Mills I knew a mistake had been made. I did not touch the bodies but Hayes pulled Mrs. Mills scarf that she had worn over her face and Mr. Hall's hat partly over his face.

I do not know what became of the gun after the shooting. And all I am sorry for now is that I did not report this sooner." Signed by

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